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Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20054

June 7, 2018

Re: Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 160(c) to Accelerate Investment in Broadband and Next-Generation Networks, WC Docket No. 18-141

Dear Ms. Dortch,

We write to you as a 25 year community network that services a variety of wireline customers in the Greater Sacramento CA market. We began leasing access to Pacific Bell copper in 1999, and vendors we use today rely on unbundled network elements (UNEs) to provide service to literally thousands of Californians. These UNEs can provide good speeds as well, using VDSL2+ technologies, our vendors are able to deliver 100 Mbps on one copper pair in core areas around ATT Central Offices.

In 2018, there is a substantial CLEC market segment in the US. Many product technologies such as Ethernet over Copper, and G.Fast DSL services that are developed and marketed by many CLECs over UNEs. We believe this petition of forbearance is misguided, will substantially cripple a thriving industry and deliver fewer choices and poorer services to citizens. Since so much of our revenue comes through the resale of UNEs our 25 year old community network would be severely compromised and forced to close, just at the time we are moving to build out much needed fiber optic infrastructure in our community.

Since this is such a complicated topic we support California PUC's motion for an extension of the comments filing period.

Since we believe this will have a devastating impact to the remaining independent small Data, Voice, and Wireline communications operators, our company supports INCOMPAS' motion² to dismiss this petition.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. Nickerson".

Robert Nickerson
Director, Davis Community Network

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